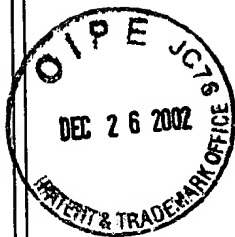


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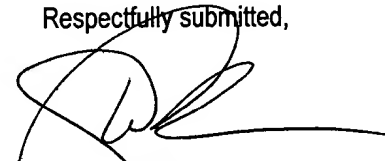
Please advise as to when the first Office Action can be expected in connection with the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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